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As a business owner, you face daily challenges and responsibilities in order to effectively manage your business. Dealing with transportation projects, especially road construction, is not something you want to worry about. However, transportation projects are needed to relieve traffic congestion, improve safety, and address other community needs. Moreover, businesses reap many benefits from completed transportation projects, not the least of which is maintaining the essential infrastructure that allows customers access to businesses.

The good news is that there are many tools and resources available to help you maintain your business throughout transportation projects of any kind.

Based on construction survey research, interviews with local government and economic development staff, and meetings with business leaders in your community, the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has pooled a wealth of knowledge and resources to provide you with a concise, reader-friendly guide to help you prepare your business for transportation construction projects.

The *Partners for the Road Ahead* guide provides:

- ❖ An overview of the transportation project process and when and how you can get involved
- ❖ Tips and ideas for maintaining your business throughout construction
- ❖ Definitions for common transportation terms and acronyms
- ❖ Answers to questions frequently asked by businesses facing upcoming construction projects
- ❖ Resources to prepare you for business success

UDOT understands that maintaining strong business vitality is important to the well-being of our communities and is committed to partnering with you to help you prosper throughout transportation improvements. We hope that you find this guide to be a useful means to this goal.

For your convenience, all of the materials in this guide are available online at www.udot.utah.gov/business-guide.

Best regards,



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